मैसर्स श्री दुर्गा कोक प्राइवेट लिमिटेड के कार्यालयों पर छापे

141. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या मैसर्स श्री दुर्गा कोक प्राइवेट लिमिटेड के बोकारो, कलकत्ता, दिल्ली आदि जगहों पर स्थित अनेक कार्यालयों में वर्ष 1989 में छापे मारे गए थे और वहां अवैध ढंग से छिपाया गया काला धन पकड़ा गया था;

(ख) यदि हां, तो मैसर्स श्री दुर्गा कोक प्राइवेट लिमिटेड फर्म के किन-किन जगहों पर स्थित कार्यालयों में छापे मारे गए थे और इन छापों के माध्यम से काले धन की कितनी राशि का पता चला;

(ग) क्या ये छापे सरकार की घोषित नीति के अनुसार किसी व्यक्ति से प्राप्त सूचना के आधार पर मारे गए थे; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या संबंधित व्यक्ति को पुरस्कार दिया गया है और यदि पुरस्कार नहीं दिया गया है, तो उसके क्या कारण है?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर): (क) जी, हां।

(ख) मैसर्स दुर्गा कोक प्राइवेट लिमिटेड नामक कम्पनी बंसल तथा लोहारूका ग्रुप की कम्पनियों में से एक कम्पनी थी, जिसकी तलाशी ली गई थी। इस ग्रुप के परिसर बोकारो, धनबाद, दिल्ली तथा कलकत्ता में स्थित थे। इस ग्रुप की तलाशी के दौरान निम्नलिखित लेखा-ग्राह्य परिसम्पत्तियां अभिगृहीत की गई थीं:—

मूल्यवान वस्तुएं	लाख रुपये में
(i) नकदी	20.44
(ii) जेवर-जवाहिरात	4.98
(iii) अन्य परिसम्पत्तियां	9.16
कुल:	34.58

(ग) जी, हां।

(घ) जी, हां।

Establishment of new currency Printing Presses at Salboni, West Bengal

142. Dr. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to establish currency printing presses of RBI at Salboni in Midnapore district of West Bengal and at Mysore in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) Reserve Bank of India is setting up two New Note Presses, one at Salboni in West Bengal and the other at Mysore in Karnataka with annual capacity of about 4975 million pieces each at a total cost of about Rs. 1460 crores. Civil construction work has already started. Work relating to placement of orders for supply of equipment is under process. The initial lines of production of the 2 Presses are expected to go on stream by mid-1993 while both Units are expected to be fully commissioned by mid-1995.

Cut in wages of Central Government Employees

143. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to either impose a 10 per cent wage cut on Central Government Employees or impound the increased DA and deposit it in their provident fund; and

(b) if so, whether this will result in hardship to the employees already suffering due to sharp increase in the prices and the cost of living index?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) No

such proposal is at present under consideration of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

Value of Indian rupee

144. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the value of Indian rupee is continuously falling in the domestic as well as international markets;

(b) if so, what was the value of rupee at the end of December, 1991 as compared to December, 1990 and December, 1980; and

(c) what has been the depreciation in the value of Indian rupee between July, 1991 and December, 1991?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Value of Indian rupee has declined in both the domestic and international markets since 1980.

(b) and (c) The value of Indian rupee in the domestic market measured as a reciprocal of the Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers (Base: 1982) on the specified dates is indicated below:—

Date	Value of Rupee (Paise) 1 Rupee=100 paise in 1982
December, 1980	121
December, 1990	50
July, 1991	47
December, 1991	44

The external value of the Rupee against major currencies of the world and the corresponding depreciation of the rupee is given in the table below:—

	Rupee per unit of foreign currency				Percentage depreciation		
	Dec. 31 1980	Dec. 31 1990	July 31 1991	Dec. 31 1991	Dec.1991 over Dec.1990	Dec.1991 over Dec.1980	Dec.1991 over July 1991
US dollar	7.8837	17.9713	25.8214	25.9267	30.7	69.6	0.4
Pound sterling	18.85	34.46	43.38	48.47	28.9	61.1	10.5
Deuteche mark	4.0506	11.9661	14.7536	17.0687	29.9	76.3	13.6
Yen	0.0390	0.1338	0.1871	0.2063	35.1	81.1	9.3

Payment of bonus to workers of Government Opium and Alkaloid Works

145. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether bonus is paid to the workers of Government Opium and Alkaloid Works at Ghazipur;

(b) if so, at what rate and what is the amount of bonus paid;

(c) whether any worknorm has been prescribed for the award of bonus and whether bonus is denied on its non-fulfilment;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(e) what steps are being taken for ending this discrimination?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (e) The workers of the Government Opium and Alkaloid Works Ghazipur are governed by a scheme for ex-gratia payment of production award equivalent